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Should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Alan W. Lintel, Applicant's Attorney at 972-664-9595 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

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Version with marking to show changes made:

Please replace the third paragraph of page 1, starting on line 17 of page 1 and continuing to line 6 of page 2 with the following paragraph:

This application is further related to U.S. Ser. No. 09/795,373 [_____] (Attorney Docket 135769)], filed February 26, 2001 [concurrently herewith], entitled "Method and Apparatus for Synchronized Slotted Optical Burst Switching" to Liu, U.S. Ser. No. 09/795,375 [_____] (Attorney Docket 135770)], filed February 26, 2001 [concurrently herewith], entitled "Discrete Time Sequence Model for Slotted and Synchronous Switching of Optical Burst Signals" to Liu, and U.S. Ser. No. 09/795,382 [_____] (Attorney Docket 135771)], filed February 26, 2001 [concurrently herewith], entitled "Protocol Architecture for Transmitting IP Traffic Over a Slotted OBS Network" to Liu.

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